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## L. B. MATHEWS ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR STATE SENATE

In this issue of the Courier L. B. Mathews of Carthage announces his candidacy as State Senator from this, the Thirteenth Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Smith and Wilson, subject to the action of the democratic primary to be held August 3.

In his announcement, which appears elsewhere in this paper, Mr. Mathews sets forth his views on a number of the issues affecting the welfare of the people of this district and the state at large, and it is on the principles set out in his announcement that he asks the support of the democrats in the coming primary election.

Mr. Mathews is an honorable, upright, courageous, christian gentleman and is in every way well qualified to fill the position to which he asks the people to elect him. He was born and reared in Smith county and it can be truthfully said of him that he is a self-made man. Though his opportunities were limited, he has taken every advantage to prepare himself for the duties of life, and by close study has familiarized himself with the needs of the people.

Mr. Mathews is a democrat of the true type and has never voted anything but the democratic ticket. He is a man of sound judgment and is worthy of the honor which he seeks. For a number of years Mr. Mathews has been classed as one of the county's most progressive and efficient teachers and has proven himself to be a most deserving young man. If elected to a seat in the State Senate he will fill the position with honor to his constituents and credit to himself.

### Merryman-Johns.

Many people in this county were interested in the announcement of the marriage of Mr. Clair A. Merryman and Miss Mary Cecil Johns which took place in the presence of a limited number of relatives and friends in the ladies' parlor of the Hermitage hotel, Nashville, last Thursday at 5:30 p. m. Elder A. B. Lipscomb, pastor of the Ninth and Russell Street Christian church, officiated.

The bride wore a modish tailored suit of midnight blue taffeta, with hat to harmonize, and her corsage bouquet was of Aaron Ward roses and lilies of the valley. She is an accomplished member of one of the oldest and most prominent families of Cheatham county, but now lives in Nashville, where her father is prominently identified with the progressive educational interests of the city.

Mr. Merryman was reared at Dixon Springs, where he began business as a clerk in a store, and has met with deserved promotion until he now represents, acceptably, one of the largest manufacturing concerns in the country. Their wedding tour will include a visit to the large factories he represents in St. Joseph, Mich. Smith county has not contributed to the business life of the country a cleaner young man and one of more sterling integrity than Clair Merryman. The Courier with many friends, wishes for Mr. and Mrs. Merryman, a long life of happy usefulness.

### Nice Honey For Sale

I have a nice lot of honey for sale at 15c per pound. W. H. CARPENTER, New Middleton, Tenn. Cumberland telephone. 6-3-21



R. S. GAVIN,

Pastor First Baptist Church, Corinth, Miss., Who Will Begin a Revival Meeting at the Carthage Baptist Church Wednesday Night, June 14th.

"The Evergreen Baptist Church much revived, and thirty-three additions to the membership, are two of the visible results of our meeting. Rev. R. S. Gavin, of the First Church Huntsville, did the preaching. And Evergreen, perhaps, has never had more impelling preaching than his. The crowds were the largest ever seen here in attendance upon a series of meetings." Richard Hall, Pastor Evergreen Church, (Alabama.)

"The Dauphin Way Church has been blessed with a glorious revival. Rev. R. S. Gavin, Pastor First Church, Huntsville, was our helper. The interest was excellent from the beginning. The preaching was of a markedly high order. All in all, the writer has never had more satisfactory help in a series of meetings. There were forty one accessions."—E. E. George, Pastor Dauphin Way Church,

Mobile, Ala.

"The Atmore revival, through which we have just passed, is pronounced by even the oldest inhabitants the best in the history of the town. There were forty-four accessions, nearly all by experience, and most of them grown people. The preacher in the meeting was Rev. R. S. Gavin. I pronounce him, as a Gospel preacher, easily the peer of any others among us. His manner of delivery is easy, his voice is full and melodious, his power of illustration boundless. I have never listened to another who could surpass him in successfully and beautifully clothing old thoughts in new garments. His success, manwardly speaking, lies in his knowledge of the Bible and his tact and ability as an expounder of its doctrines." S. W. Wheeler, Pastor Atmore Church (Alabama.)

"We closed our meeting last

evening. There have been eighty-five members received to date with several others to follow. Last night I baptized sixty-five, and the majority adults. Bro. R. S. Gavin was my helper in the meeting, and I have never had a man with me who did more satisfactory service."—A. B. Metcalf, Pastor Albertville Church Alabama.

"We have just closed a gracious meeting at the first Baptist Church of Gadsden. Have baptized twenty-five and others awaiting baptism. Fourteen came to us by letter. We had with us Bro. R. S. Gavin. This is the second time he has been with us and in both meetings the Lord graciously blessed us. At no time have I had a more efficient helper. He is so thoroughly scriptural in his preaching, and sensible in his methods. The church is greatly benefitted."—J. G. Dickinson, Pastor First Church, Gadsden, Ala.

## GORDONSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL TO ERECT \$5000 DORMITORY

News has just reached the Courier office that plans are now under way to erect a \$5000 dormitory in Gordonsville to be used in connection with the Gordonsville High School. The dormitory, which will be a modern structure in every particular, will be ready for occupancy by the date of the opening of the fall term.

### W. W. Chambers' Sale

W. W. Chambers of Dixon Springs offers an unusual sale of his excellent line of merchandise. Mr. Chambers carries a well selected stock and the buying public is fortunate to have the opportunity of buying articles at his store at reduced prices. Read the good offerings Mr. Chambers is publishing in this week's issue of the Courier.

## The Children's 1916 Fair

J. J. Hendrickson, principal of the Gordonsville High School, offers \$5.00 for the best exhibit of any nature by one-teacher school. Ovid Neal, principal of the Elmwood High School, offers a \$5.00 premium. L. B. Mathews, principal of the Riddleton school and a candidate for the nomination of state senator, offers a premium. The Fair management is anxious to have some one or more persons in every district to come forward and offer the Hermitage trip to a boy or girl. For the satisfaction of the children, we announce that plans are being worked out to put this trip within reach of many children, whether the neighbors get behind it or not. A premium will be offered for best sunflower seed.

## SMITH COUNTY TEACHERS HOLDING INTERESTING INSTITUTE

The Smith county teachers' institute is in session in Carthage this week. The institute has an unusually large attendance, there being more than 100 teachers enrolled. Superintendent Huffines is being assisted by an excellent corps of instructors and the teachers are gaining much knowledge in the better methods of teaching and disciplining schools. The programs each day include timely subjects which are ably handled by those assigned.

**German Millet Seed**—Home grown bright and clean. No Johnson grass. A limited quantity, while they last \$1.70 per bushel. In quantities I will pay delivery charges.

S. M. Young,  
Dixon Springs, Tenn.

## POPULAR YOUNG MAN ANNOUNCES FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I. D. Beasley of Riddleton, 21st. district, announces his candidacy for Representative in the next General Assembly from Smith county in this issue of the Courier.

Although a young man, Mr. Beasley is well equipped to creditably represent his county in the legislature. After having attended the public schools a home until he had finished the course, Mr. Beasley then entered the Nashville Bible School and remained four years, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Literature in May 1915. No young man stands higher in the estimation of those who know him than I. D. Beasley and his private life is without "spot or wrinkle." He is a member of the Christian church.

"I. D.," as he is familiarly known at home, has always taken a keen interest in politics and is a staunch democrat, and, should he be elected, he would be one of the youngest men Smith county has ever honored by sending him to assist in making her laws. He would just be eligible to take the oath of office, but the late Jas. D. Richardson was barely old enough when elected to the State Senate, and afterwards went to Congress and died the highest Mason in the United States. The Hon. John Young Brown, of Kentucky, was just old enough to be entitled to his seat when elected to Congress from his state. Benton McMillin and Cordell Hull were both elected to the legislature when quite young.

Mr. Beasley thinks this is an era for young men—active, alert and progressive. And he gives as his reason for entering the race that it is his ambition to be of service in every way possible to the people of Smith county.

Mr. Beasley is well posted on the current events of the day, and the needs of his county. He is a fluent talker, an entertaining speaker and a young man of high ideals and lofty purposes in life. He contemplates the study of law at his earliest opportunity. Mr. Beasley, if honored by the voters of Smith county as their representative, will reflect honor upon his constituency.

### Garrett-Young.

The beautiful celebration of the marriage of Dr. Rhea E. Garrett and Miss Laura Gaston Young at the home of the bride's parents, Judge and Mrs. S. M. Young, at Dixon Springs, Tenn., Thursday, June 1, 1916, was the consummation of a courtship between young people born and reared in the same community and who were school day sweet hearts. Elder E. A. Elam of Lebanon, the officiating minister, performed the ceremony in happy accord with the twilight witchery of a perfect day in a company of faultlessly dressed relatives and neighbors, and a floral setting perfect beyond description. The bride, who is a social favorite, possesses, in addition to beauty, a splendid personality that endears her to a wide circle of friends. The groom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Garrett and is endowed by nature and attainment with every element that tends to success in citizenship and business, and he is already taking a position at the head in his chosen profession. After the wedding, which is of much interest to many people, Dr. and Mrs. Garrett drove away in his car for a tour. After the next few days they will be at home in Dixon Springs. The wedding gifts were many and handsome.

## TWO SHOOTING TRAGEDIES OCCUR ON SAME DATE

Two shooting tragedies occurred in Smith county last Saturday. The first took place at the home of Thomas Malone on Bowling's Branch about ten o'clock in the morning, when Ova Malone shot Claud Bean with a single barrel shotgun loaded with No. 5 shot, the load taking effect in the top of the head, just above the left eye.

The trouble between Malone and Bean is said to have resulted from a dispute of a settlement between young Malone's father, Thomas Malone, and Bean for farm work which Bean had done for the elder Malone. It is alleged that in the dispute Bean threatened to shoot Mr. Malone, whereupon young Malone came to the defense of his father and returned to the house and secured the gun with which the shot was fired. Though an ugly wound was inflicted, it is thought that Bean has a good chance for recovery. Ova Malone is about 25 years of age, and married. Bean is about the same age, single.

Sheriff M. J. Malone was notified of the trouble and went immediately to the scene of the tragedy, and in the course of his investigation of the trouble found a .38 pistol loaded all around, near where the shooting took place which is said to be the weapon carried by Bean. Malone waived preliminary trial and made bond for his appearance at the next term of criminal court.

The second tragedy occurred between six and seven o'clock in the afternoon at the home of Hutch Porter, two miles from Pleasant Shade, when Elston Gregory shot Will Hooper, the difficulty arising from an old trouble of several months standing. It is charged that Hooper was advancing with a knife and forced Gregory backward for several feet, and that Gregory finally drew his pistol and fired five shots at his assailant, three of which took effect, one passing through the body just above the heart, the other inflicting a flesh wound in the side and the other striking the leg. Hooper's condition is reported as being critical and has only a slight chance for recovery. He is about 18 years of age and the son of Fate Hooper of Macon county. Gregory is the son of Will Gregory, who lives two miles above Pleasant Shade. No arrest has yet been made and it is thought no prosecution would be made against Gregory.

### J. T. Butts Puts on Sale

J. T. Butts, one of Gordonsville's general merchants, will conduct a sale of his general merchandise stock, beginning next Saturday, and running until the first of July. Mr. Butts explains that he is making this sacrifice of his line of merchandise in order to get hold of needed cash with which to satisfy his creditors. Mr. Butts is offering some extraordinary bargains. Read the prices in his advertisement, which will be found in the Courier this week. They mean a saving of money to you.

### Card of Thanks

We desire to thank the good people of Carthage for their kindness and many favors shown us during the recent illness and death of our son and husband. Mrs. Walter Malone  
Sheriff and Mrs. M. J. Malone and family